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INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION

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Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts from the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 28, 2011, the Department of Commerce (“the Department”) published the initiation of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on citric acid and certain citrate salts (“citric acid”) from the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”). See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part, 76 FR 37781, 37785 (June 28, 2011). This review covers the period May 1, 2010, through April 30, 2011. The preliminary results of review are currently due no later than January 31, 2012.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”), the Department shall make a preliminary determination in an administrative review of an

antidumping duty order within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the date of publication of the order. The Act further provides, however, that the Department may extend that 245-day period to 365 days if it determines it is not practicable to complete the review within the foregoing time period.

The Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of the administrative review of citric acid from the PRC within this time limit. Specifically, additional time is needed to issue supplemental questionnaires, analyze questionnaire responses, and consider relevant evidence and parties' comments regarding selecting appropriate surrogate values with which to value factors of production. Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is extending the time period for completion of the preliminary results of this review by 90 days. The preliminary results will now be due no later than April 30, 2012.

This notice is published in accordance with sections 751(a)(3)(A) and 777(i) of the Act.

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